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	Agenda Item No. 49A Roll Call No. <u>18-1006</u> Communication No. <u>18-277</u> Submitted by: Dana Wingert, Chief of Police

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval for the purchase of emergency response equipment to be installed in police vehicles.

SYNOPSIS:

The Police Department seeks approval to purchase various equipment to be installed in law enforcement vehicles such as light bars, push bumpers, weapon storage solutions, radio consoles, prisoner transportation equipment, and special response team transportation equipment. The equipment would be purchased using the State of Iowa Contract number 55090-15B.

This equipment is currently standard in vehicles already in use throughout the department. The department seeks uniformity in manufactured and operational equipment in front-line vehicles. As vehicles are replaced, the department reuses as much equipment as possible in the Ford Interceptor SUV and other vehicles when compatible.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$ 89,299.29

Funding Source: FY 2018 Recommended Operating Budget, PD001351 Planning and Budget Office, page 198

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Light bars on top of the vehicle and the broadcast sirens traditionally communicate both visual and audible alerts of emergency response to the public. Additional flashing lights around the vehicle help increase officer safety through heightened visibility.
- Most front-line of the vehicles are equipped with front end metal bar bumpers used during driving maneuvers to protect the public from suspects accelerating to dangerous speeds. These bumpers also extend the life of the vehicle by absorbing a collision and minimizing damages.
- Equipment such as firearm racks and weapon storage compartments are added to the vehicle to safely secure the weapons.

- Prisoner transportation vehicles require specific equipment to securely transport individuals in the rear of the vehicle. A specifically designed insert is required to convert a van chassis into a vehicle capable of allowing prisoners to be separated, secured and seated. Extra heating, cooling and lighting is needed inside the rear of this vehicle for safety purposes. Additional security measures are added to ensure the safety of the officers assisting with the transportation.
- Special response teams require a specifically equipped van to transport the whole team to one (1) location. This van has bench style seating with storage compartments beneath the bench for specific enforcement equipment such as chemical suits or helmets. The van has additional lighting inside the rear compartment for safety and illumination.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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